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FM AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 4811

INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL BUKAVU

C O N F I D E N T I A L BUJUMBURA 0330

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC (SMUTS, BARBARA AND SMITH, STEVE AND HUNTER, CARRIE)

SUBJECT: THREE KIDNAPPED AMCITS

FOLLOWING IS LAST OF FOUR MESSAGES RECEIVED IN BUJUMBURA BY
SAFEHAND FROM LUCIUS AND MACFARLANE IN KIGOMA MAY 22:

QUOTE

AT MEETING BETWEEN FSO'S AND TANGOV OFFICIALS (WHICH INCLUDED TPDF
MAJOR SIMBA AND POLICE COMMISSIONER) FOLLOWING COURSES OF
ACTION WERE AGREED ON:

1. COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE URGENTLY ESTABLISHED BETWEEN KIGOMA
OFFICIALS AND OPPOSITE NUMBERS IN ZAIRE. REQUEST TANGOV AND
USG ASSIST THIS MATTER.

2. FAO RESEARCH VESSEL IS FAST AND LARGE BUT HAS NO SHIP TO
SHORE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS. SUGGEST USG CHARTER AIRCRAFT TO
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BRING IN SUITABLE RADIO GEAR WITH 300 MILE RANGE. EQUIPMENT

COULD BE USED BY FSO'S KIGOMA TO COMMUNICATE WITH AMEMBASSY
BUJUMBURA.

3. REQUIRE SUGGESTIONS FROM AMEMBASSY KINSHASA (AND CONSTITUANT
POSTS) AND BUJUMBURA AS TO HOW THEY MAY BEST ASSIST FSO'S
KIGOMA IN COORDINATING AND EXPEDITING SEARCH EFFORTS.)

4. RADIO ZAIRE SHOULD BROADCAST RADIO ANNOUNCEMENTS IN KI-
SWAHILI AND KIBEMBE REQUESTING REBELS TO ANNOUNCE THEIR INTEN-
TION WITH A VIEW TO SECURITY RELEASE OF STUDENTS. LOCAL BOPLER
HERE BELIEVE THAT THIS WOULD BE POTENTIALLY USEFUL MEANS OF
GETTING NEEDED DIALOGUE GOING. UNQUOTE.

(REF PARA 3 ABOVE, EMBASSY BUJUMBURA WILL OF COURSE PROVIDE ALL
FACILITIES AND TECHNICAL HELP POSSIBLE. HOWEVER BURUNDI IS NOT
RPT NOT A GOOD PLACE FOR COORDINATING SEARCH EFFORTS. THERE
SHIP GRB "NAVY" OF PATROL BOATS IS ALMOST ALWAYS OUT OF SERVICE
OWING TO LACK OF TRAINED PERSONNEL. WE WILL CHECK WITH GRB
OFFICIALS FIRST THING MAY 23 TO SEE WHAT ACTION THEIR AGENCIES
ARE TAKING. WE KNOW FROM LUCIUS AND MACFARLANE THAT GOVERNOR OF
BURUNDI PROVINCE, CONTIGUOUS TO TANZANIA, IS ALREADY COOPERATING.
BUT AS WE HAVE SAID EARLIER AND AS OTHER REPORTING INDICATES.
WE MUCH DOUBT KIDNAPPERS WILL HEAD FOR BURUNDI TERRITORY.)
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